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1. [REDACTED] a convoy was seen moving upstream on the Danube at the Stadlauer bridge in Vienna. It was led by a Rumanian motor ship, on the bridge of which stood a Soviet naval officer.
2. At a distance of about one kilometer, a tug followed, flying the Soviet flag and another flag (Pulverflagge) designating the cargo as inflammable and/or explosive; it carried the name Sevastopol in cyrillic letters and towed two heavily loaded tank barges. The tank barges were conspicuously clean and bore no traces of oil loading. The vessels were manned by Soviet sailors.
3. Another tug, towing two tank barges which were apparently not loaded, followed the Sevastopol. It flew the Soviet flag and bore the name Sestik (or Sestok) in cyrillic letters.

Comment: It is presumed that this convoy was bringing fuel for jet aircraft to Austria since the USSR does not ordinarily deliver oil or petroleum products to Austria. This supposition is supported by a report that [REDACTED] "important liquid for Russian fliers" was arriving.

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